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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

Morning Meeting of 3 February 1965

General Carter was in the Chair -- the Director was preparing for a meeting on the Hill.

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Current Intelligence Briefing covered Laos, South Vietnam including two messages from Ambassador Taylor assessing Khanh and the Khanh Government, rules of engagement for [redacted] patrols, Soviet statement of support for Indonesian campaign against Malaysia, Communist China - Indonesia, Congo, departure of ChiComs from Burundi, Dahomey to break diplomatic relations with ChiNats, Brazil,

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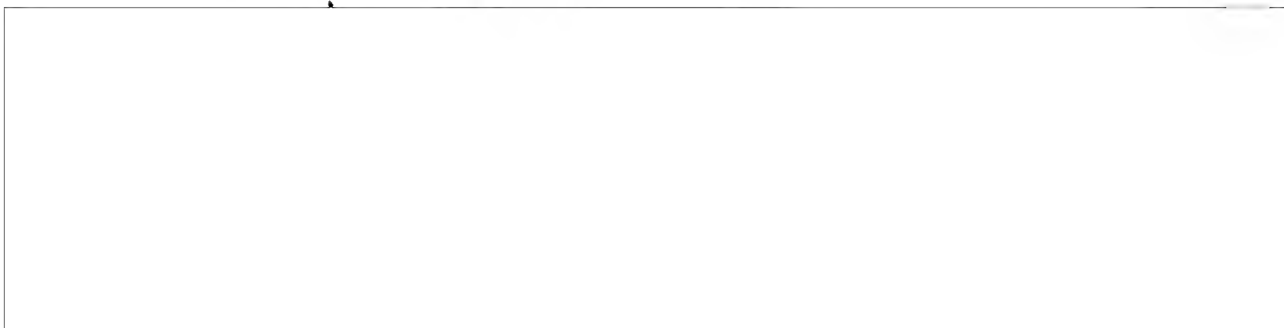
A memo on the preliminary findings [redacted] was tabled. There was a discussion of the pros and cons of launching the next CORONA within the next few days. DDI recommends an indefinite delay. The matter is before COMOR this morning. General Carter directed that the COMOR findings be placed on the USIB agenda for discussion tomorrow. He directed that NRO attend the USIB meeting.

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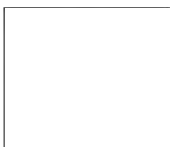
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It was noted that the Agency briefings [redacted] went well.



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Houston reported that Congressman Bates yesterday, during the DCI's meeting with the House Armed Services Committee, appeared to offer Congressional support to the Agency in NRO matters.

Houston reported that Representative Zablocki will be here tomorrow for breakfast. Houston said he and Executive Director will meet with Representative Downing today and Houston referred to a discussion he had yesterday with Representative Royce, a member of the Moss Subcommittee, who said that the Agency's presentation on the polygraph was the only able one that the Subcommittee had received.

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[] reported on the Watch Committee's concern over evidence that elements of the North Vietnamese 325th Division are in Northern South Vietnam.

Kent referred to the two SNIE's before USIB tomorrow on Vietnam. He said copies had been given to the Bundy party along with the promise to send by cable any changes made by USIB.

Kirkpatrick noted that he will meet with the Agency's budget committee tomorrow at 1100 to discuss manpower and promotion matters. He noted that the National Interdepartmental Seminar on Counterinsurgency is here today and he inquired as to the status of papers for DCI's use at the PFIAB this week.

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General Carter asked DDS&T [] to do an historical study and assessment of the criteria and requirements which NRO has described in respect to their developmental programs.

General Carter asked whether a sanitized version of the Soviet Space Estimate had been done. The answer was no, since it is a Secret level NIE.

General Carter noted that the Committee of Principals is meeting at 1230 today, and the DCI requests circulation as soon as possible to the Committee of an Agency memo on Vietnam.

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